

Ocean Protection Council Public Forum Fisheries Management and Science – Future Directions

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California State Office Building 1515 Clay Street, Room 2 Oakland, CA

Forum Questions

How can the OPC best support new fisheries *management approaches*? What is the OPC's role in:

- Co-management and dedicated access privileges?
- Certification and marketing approaches?
- Effort reduction?

What is the OPC's role in improving fisheries *data collection*?

How can the OPC improve the usefulness and timeliness of data reporting and synthesis? Fisheries dependent – electronic reporting and better recreational surveys Fisheries independent – marine region priorities, FMPs, and stock assessments How do we get to the point of using ecological forecasts in management decisions?

How can the OPC help DFG and other agencies to improve *enforcement*?

Forum handouts

List of OPC fishery-related projects funded to date OPC strategic goals related to fisheries DFG marine region science priorities

Agenda

1:00 pm Welcome and OPC role in fisheries issues to date (overview of projects)

Sam Schuchat

1:20 pm DFG marine region priorities

Sonke Mastrup

Discussion (each will be an open discussion addressing the questions above – if the discussion does not require an hour, we will move on to the next topic early)

1:40 pm Management Approaches

2:40 pm Data Collection

3:40 pm Enforcement

4:40 pm Wrap up